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FIFTEEN/TWENTY-FIVE YEAR CLUB DINNER

Members of the Fifteen/Twenty-Five Year Club gathered together on Tuesday, June 8th, to welcome new members to the Club.

This year 32 individuals were honored at the dinner for having completed either 15 or 25 years of service at The Hospital. This is one of the largest groups of new members ever to join the club at one time.

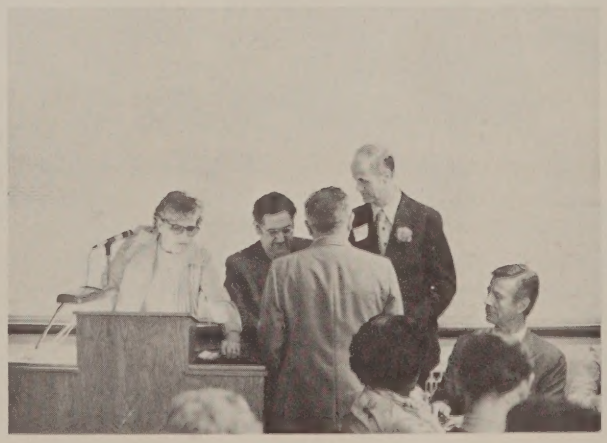
Miss Dean Smith, President, was assisted by Mr. Vincent Conti and Mr. Sol Houtkin in the presentation of pins to:

Twenty-five Years

Mr. Daniel Palermo
Mr. Joseph Zetterholm
Mrs. Armitage Watkins

Fifteen Years

Mr. Michael Aglione
Mrs. Paul Arbon
Mrs. William Arnold
Dr. Harry Bienenstock
Mrs. Jay Bresler
Mr. Mack Carter
Miss Muriel Dubinsky
Mr. Charles H. Dyson



Dr. John Fox
Mr. Victor Gerena
Mrs. Barbara Gillman
Mr. Henry U. Harris,Jr.
Mrs. Gussie Jones
Mr. Eddie Kilpatrick
Dr. David Levine
Mrs. Winifred LueLoy
Mr. Eddie Marigney
Mr. David Mixter
Mr. Miguel Morales
Miss Dorothy Norz
Dr. Irwin Nydick
Mrs. Dola Polland
Miss Mavis Reid
Dr. Thomas Rizzo
Miss Lucy Robinson
Mrs. Barbara Schoenberg
Miss Dulcina Thrower
Dr. Konstantin Veliskakis
Mrs. Edna Wade

Miss Dean Smith and Mr. T.Gordon Young, both addressed the club and congratulated all the new members.

Mr. Richard Haddy, provided the entertainment for the evening with lovely piano renditions of some old favorites. Ruth LeFever, Nursing, played the piano as everyone stood to sing "America" in praise of our nation's Bicentennial.

The evening was delightful and, as the faces indicate, everyone really enjoyed themselves.

PHYSICIAN-IN-CHIEF TAKES OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN RHEUMATISM ASSOCIATION

The following was released Thursday, June 10th, by The Arthritis News:

Chicago, June 10 -- Dr. Charles L. Christian, professor of medicine of Cornell University Medical College and Physician-in-Chief at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City, was installed as 40th president of the American Rheumatism Association Section of The Arthritis Foundation at the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel here today.

Eminent rheumatologist and clinical investigator, Dr. Christian is also director of the division of rheumatic diseases, New York Hospital Cornell Medical College, and adjunct professor at New York's prestigious Rockefeller University.

From 1970-75 he served as editor of Arthritis and Rheumatism, the official journal of the 2500-member American Rheumatism Association. He personally is the author of more than 70 scientific reports.

Dr. Christian has been associated with The Arthritis Foundation and the American Rheumatism Association during his entire professional career. He was a postdoctoral fellow supported by The Foundation in 1957-58. In recent years he has served on the Foundation's Medical Council, helping to shape its program in arthritis research, training and patient services.

EMPLOYEE'S HUSBAND SAVES A LIFE

The following article appeared in The Daily News, *during the week of June 27th. It describes how the quick thinking of* Juan Benitez, *husband of Carmen Benitez, Radiology, saved a life.*

"WINDOW WASHERS HANG TOUGH & LIVE"
by
William Heffernan

Two window washers dangled helplessly for 15 minutes seven floors above E. 23rd Str. yesterday before they were pulled to safety by two federal police officers as hundreds of morning rush-hour spectators shouted encouragement from the street.

The window washers, identified as David Gibbs, 33, and Marcelino Garcia, 37, both employees of the Veterans Administration Hospital at First Ave. and 23rd St., were lowering a scaffold from the ninth floor of the hospital at 7:45 am when a cable jammed, forcing one side of the platform to slip to the seventh floor.

The two men, secured by safety straps attached to the roof of the 18-story building, plunged the two floors and then hung there, crying for help to passersby below.

Federal police in charge of security at the hospital said an unidentified woman spotted the two men and rushed inside the hospital shouting, "Two men are falling, they're going to die."

A hospital spokesman said two federal officers, James Alger,32, and Juan Benitez, 36, ran to the street saw the two men, and hurried to the seventh floor.

INSIDE TALK

Welcome to the following new employees:

Herman Lee, Anesthesiology
Roger Robertson, Bldg. Serv.
Centra Green, Med. Records
Joanne Wood, Nursing
Mario Yazidjian, P & O
Joanne Bulfin &
Richard Etkin, Research

A special welcome to the *RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS*.

Welcome to *Marie Flynn*, *Beatrice Grant, and Lorraine Pucher*, currently per-diem employees, who will be joining the staff as Registered Nurses.

ENGAGEMENTS:

Congratulations to *Linda Strobel*, Nursing, who recently became engaged.

Congratulations to *Kathy Abramo*, Radiology, on her engagement to Mr. Leonard Bruno.

Best wishes to *Susan Hemmendinger*, Radiology, who recently became engaged to Mr. Jimmy Candreva.

MARRIAGES:

Congratulations to *Hilary George*, Nursing, who recently became Mrs. Moultrie.

DEATHS:

Our sincerest sympathy to *Elizabeth Ross*, Nursing, on the untimely death of her husband.

Our deepest sympathy to *Mary Rose Davis*, Nursing, on the death of her grandmother.

Our deepest sympathy to *Johnnie Peterson*, Food Service, whose brother passed away.

Our condolences to *Leslie Sanchez*, Nursing, on the death of her sister and brother-in-law.

ILLNESSES:

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to the following members of the HSS family:

Mena Giambrone, Acct.
Henry Gartland, Eng.
Stella Smith, Fd.Serv.
Irmgard Kaim,
Janet Mangiapane,
Lindley Mills and
Emma Smith, Nursing
Miguel Rodriguez, Research
and
Carmela Merola, Social Work.

Welcome back to *William Corcoran*, Communications, *Charles Batie*, Radiology, and *Lee Cameron*, Photography.

OTHER NEWS:

Congratulations to *Carol Borden*, Nursing, recently promoted to the position of Nursing Supervisor.

Congratulations to *Eileen Triolo*, Nursing, recently promoted to the position of Head Nurse on 7N.

Happy travelling to *Marjorie Admiral*, Nursing, and her husband. The Admirals are celebrating their 28th Wedding Anniversary in Mexico.

Lydia Nesbitt, and Billy Stephen, of "Mellow Down Easy" invite all HSS employees to an outdoor concert on July 31st.
Time: 7:30pm to 9:30
Place: South St. Seaport-Pier 15

Lydia and Billy entertained on the 9th Floor Roof for Operation Mini-Sail.

The concert will be held rain or shine. Be sure to bring a blanket.

There, the spokesman said, the officers forced open one sealed window, grabbed the safety strap supporting Garcia and pulled him to safety.

The officers then tried to force a window nearest to Gibbs, the spokesman added, and finding that it could not be opened, smashed the glass with the butt of a handgun and hauled him in.

Gibbs, who has worked as a window washer for eight years, was treated for a cut on his right hand, but was otherwise uninjured. Garcia, employed as a window washer for one year, was treated for minor bruises.

DISASTER DRILL

On Tuesday, June 29th at 1:55 P.M., Code "D" was sounded and a Disaster Drill was in progress. At once, the medical staff and employees from all departments reported to the Personnel Pool in the Main Lobby for assignment. This year more employees responded than ever before.

The Hospital conducts a Disaster Drill twice a year to meet requirements established by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. Had a real emergency situation existed, Special Surgery would have been well prepared.

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